

### EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Cindy S. Kaplan on May 21, 2009.

The application has been amended as follows:

- In the Specification, p.17, lines <sup>9 10</sup> ~~10-11~~, remove the sentence "A carrier wave that carries the code across a network is another example of a computer-readable medium."

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2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

With regard to claims 4,22,34,52,65,67,69, the prior art of record fails to anticipate or make obvious a method for operating a *first path computation element in a first autonomous system* to participate in establishing an inter-autonomous system MPLS Traffic Engineering LSP between a head-end node and a tail-end node, comprising: "receiving virtual shortest path tree information from a *second path computation element in a second autonomous system*, said virtual shortest path tree